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### **NEW WORKLOAD ARRIVES AT LETTERKENNY**

Officials at Letterkenny Army Depot have announced the arrival of the first Avionics System Processor used on the Arrowhead® Modernized Targeting Systems (M-TADS) of the Apache Helicopter. The M-TADS is repaired under a cooperative partnership between Letterkenny and Lockheed Martin Missiles and Fire Control in Orlando, Florida.

After discussions at the June 2006 Pennsylvania Letterkenny Business Opportunity Showcase, Lockheed Martin decided to invest \$1.5 million of capital into the TADS/PNVS™ Special Repair Activity that moved from North Carolina to Letterkenny in the fall of 2005.

“This investment illustrates Lockheed Martin’s commitment to enhance our partnership with the Letterkenny Army Depot. This capability will expedite Arrowhead Electronic Circuit Card Repairs, helping U.S. Warfighters meet their defining moments in the Global War on Terrorism”, said Tom Simmons, vice president, Fire Control, at Lockheed Martin.

In addition to new equipment, Lockheed Martin has also introduced new technology to the depot through the Letterkenny/Lockheed Martin Partnership. Lockheed Martin is training depot employees in Ball Grid Array Soldering techniques. “The application of this surface mount technology will position LEAD for new workloads and is important as the depot strives to position itself to support the Warfighter in the future,” according to Mike Murray, Letterkenny Director of Maintenance. “We are extremely pleased with the working relationship we have established with Lockheed Martin.”

The M-TAD’s repair became operational on January 1, 2007. The partnership now has the ability to test and repair most of the electronics contained in the M-TADS. Operationally fielded in June 2005, M-TADS provide Apache pilots advanced targeting that enhances mission capability.

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